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November 26, 2002

Ms. Barbara O'Grady  
Colorado Department of Public Health  
and Environment  
4300 Cherry Creek Drive South  
Denver, CO 80246-1530

RE: Vasquez Boulevard/Interstate 70 (VB/I-70)  
Site, Operable Unit 1

Dear Barbra:

I am writing to transmit three copies of the preliminary design document for the soil removal component of remedial action at the VB/I-70 Site, Operable Unit 1. EPA requests your agency's review of the enclosed document. Please send me any comments you have in writing by December 18, 2002.

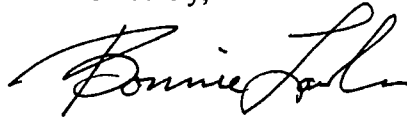
I offer the following additional information to assist you in your review:

1. Currently, EPA plans to enter into an Interagency Agreement with the United States Army Corps of Engineers ("the Corps") to implement the work described in the enclosed work plan with the exception of the soil sampling component, which we plan to have accomplished by an independent EPA contractor. Although the exact roles and responsibilities of each party are still being discussed, in general, the role of the "Supervising Contractor" described in the enclosed work plan is that of the Corps. The role of the "Construction Contractor" is that of the Corp's contractor.
2. The work plan was prepared consistent with the preferred alternative in the May 2002 Proposed Plan. It will be modified once EPA makes a final cleanup decision to reflect the scope of that decision. As you know, EPA is working towards implementing a non-time-critical removal action in 2003 while the final remedy decision is pending. EPA intends to use this work plan for soil removal work in VB/I-70 Operable Unit 1 whether that work is performed as a Non-Time Critical Removal Action or as a Remedial Action.



I'd like to convene a meeting to discuss the resolution of all comments I receive sometime in January, 2003. I will contact you to make arrangements. If you have any questions during your review, don't hesitate to contact me. The best way to reach me is by email at [lavelle.bonita@epa.gov](mailto:lavelle.bonita@epa.gov). I can also be reached by phone at (303) 312-6579.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bonnie Lavelle". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Bonnie" being more prominent than the last name "Lavelle".

Bonnie Lavelle  
Remedial Project Manager

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